

A SINGLE TAX IDEA IN MUSICAL CIRCLES

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**A Suggestion for Founding a Town on the
Arlington Reservation**

**Without the Annoyances of Taxes and
Licenses—A No Monopoly City—
Free Sites for Homes**

Written for The Evening Star.

Lying in Virginia opposite the city of Washington is the Arlington reservation, the property of the United States, containing 1,100 acres, about 200 acres of which are used as a soldiers' cemetery and a military post, the remaining 900 acres lying idle. There is a mile of water front on the Potomac, and high, level ground at the reservation, thus affording good sites for a large number of buildings.

The work of assembling a symphony orchestra in this city, to be composed of the best professional musicians in the District, is progressing in a good shape. Prof. Herman C. Rakemann, who has undertaken the task, is satisfied that an orchestra of between forty and fifty can be secured which will be able to furnish accompaniment for the Choral Society in any oratorio that it may see fit to give. If this can be done, it will be a great benefit to the city.

No Taxes or Fees.

That there shall not be laid in said city any tax on persons, or on improvements, or on personal property, or for licenses, or for privileges; nor shall any fees be payable to any public officer; nor shall any charge be made for water rent.

That all public expenditures shall be met solely out of the revenue received from such ground tax; and that all of said

ground tax shall be extended for the benefit of said city; and that the public uses to which such fund may be applied, including but not limited to, the purchase of books, include baths, libraries, play grounds, and their equipments, entertainments, and any other public purposes of the city.

That in anticipation of such revenues there may be issued in payment for public expenditures notes which shall bear no interest, and that the same shall be redeemed by any public debts and legal tender in payment of all debts; but such notes shall not exceed in volume \$100 per capita of the population of the city, and the same may be forthwith issued to be used in defraying the expenses of laying out the city.

No other form of public debt shall be contracted.

That the local government shall lay and keep in proper condition all lines of communication or transportation, requiring fixtures to be attached to any public place, and shall ruin or destroy any fixture, the same may be operated either by the local government, or by private parties under leases granted to those who, after free competition, bid to render service at the lowest rate.

That within said city no patent right shall be of force, but all inventions shall be free to all persons, and no person shall be allowed to sue in any court which may grant to inventors substantial compensation for all patented articles produced within its limits, to be paid from the profits of the sale of such articles, or to produce any proper regulations covering the production of patented articles, except that

that the local government shall consist of an assembly, which shall be composed of one representative for each of the chosen by residents of lawful age who shall be represented in said city one year; that each representative shall have one vote for one year; that the power of each representative shall be equal to the number of residents of lawful age in the district he chooses the executive and judicial officers, who shall hold office at the pleasure of the assembly; that the assembly shall make such laws and regulations as may be necessary for the government of said city.

That the assembly shall elect a mayor, who shall be responsible for the execution of all local laws, and shall have

Advantages Claimed.

Some of the advantages which will be secured under this plan are: Work for all workers desire employment, higher wages, valuable land without price, low ground rent, freedom from all local taxation—direct and indirect, and taxation unknown; cheaper water, cheaper gas, cheaper electric light and power, cheaper street railway service, cheaper commodities, right to transact any business without payment of license, exemption from payment of taxes on personal property, exemption from taxes on personal property, exemption from payment of marriage and

voice in affairs of government, a vote that will count one at all times.

There are two such plans to abolish are: Land monopoly water monopoly, gas monopoly, electric light and heat monopoly, street railway monopoly, private business monopoly, and the license system, high rents caused by the increased cost of materials due to taxation, high prices of commodities due to personal property and license taxes thereon, and the tax on the honest people by dishonest and honest people by personal property taxation, and of home owners by taxes on the tenants.

The right to labor involved in the license system, the petty robberies involved in the fee system.

The interest-bearing public debt, the

company that will support the prima donna is not yet determined upon, but it is probably Adamowski, the violinist, will go.

Mr. Heinrichs is having a subscription for his opera company in Philadelphia, his season closing next week. He says it is uncertain whether he will attempt grand opera, as the support he received at his last venture here was not equal to the cost. He has already made a loss upon a great scale in the fall and has already arranged for a season of forty nights at the Metropolitan.

This theater is to be entirely refitted and put in splendid shape for him. He has already been to Elko, Nevada and Vienna, the tenor, and asked his friends to go to Europe to secure additional principals.

Bettered His Prospects.
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our electric system, their responsibility for our executive system, their irresponsiveness to our needs, their indifference to the public office, unwieldy governmental system. Therefore, the City of Justicia will attract—

A people of wealth, as a place of residence—because there they will find beautiful residence sites and exemption from personal property taxation; and when they die they will leave their estates to be not be robbed under the guise of taxation.

Manufacturers—because sites will cost nothing, and they will be at all times exempted from taxes on their products, and they can make and use patented articles without the payment of royalties.

Mechanics and laborers—because there they will find full employment, no slum haunts, and I had not seen him for six months. When I did see him, at last, it

employment at highwages than elsewhere, lower living expenses, and a home of his own. He was not to be bothered with anything, and was to have everything cost nothing, and freedom from all taxation.

And all other classes would find advantage in this, and all producing classes in business.

A number of prominent and philanthropic persons had been interested in the scheme, and at a meeting held last Tuesday a preliminary organization was effected, with Hon. Jas. G. Maguire of California, president, and Hon. J. M. Wadsworth of Washington, D. C., secretary. It is proposed to communicate with organized bodies of men in the same manner as the

was by accident, as business called him to his neighborhood. As I rode past his place, I saw him in the corn field and came out to the fence.

"Hello," I exclaimed, "is this your place?"

"Yes, and I'll come over to tell you, colonel, that I'll be ready to pay part of that claim you'n afore long."

"I'm doin' furst rate, and I'm powerful obliged to you, colonel, fer headin' me this way."

"I'm always glad to help if I can."

"I knowed that, colonel, and that's why I come away over here so fer from home."

In securing the support of their respective Senators and Representatives, and it is believed that the plan has every prospect of success. C. B. H.

Mormons in North Carolina.

In and around Mount Airy, N. C., illiterate people are flocking to the followers of Brigham Young, the Chestnut Ridge and other sections many families have become converts to the Mormon faith. The elders claim that they do not preach the doctrine of polygamy, but it is reported that they are using this doctrine in private religious interviews.

The Mormon missionaries are believed to be active in the counties of Guilford and adjoining counties in Virginia a year or two ago by an organization of citizens known as the "Gauging John" movement. Nelson Pace, the novelist, was a conspicuous figure in the movement.

At Tuscarora, N. Y., a north-bound freight train on the Western New York and Pennsylvania railroad jumped the tracks and derailed Sunday morning, scattering fireman August Martin in the